Advanced Searching with Google

Go to www.google.com and click on the Advanced Search feature. Highlights include:

Boolean searching:

* Typing in the “with all of the words” box is the same as the Boolean operator “and”. This is a way of narrowing down a search that has too many hits.
* Typing in the “with any of the words” box is the same as the Boolean operator “or”. This is a way of broadening a search that did not get many hits.
* Typing in the “with none of the words” box is the same as the Boolean operator “not”. This is a way of eliminating unrelated sites that come up with another meaning of one of your key words.
* Typing in the “with the exact phrase” box is a good way of getting exactly the topic you want by linking key words in a specific order.

Language

* To find a website in another language, choose one of the languages in the drop down box next to the word “Language”
* To have Google translate something for you:
  + AFTER you have done a search, scroll down to the bottom of the list of websites and click on the words “Language Tools”.
  + You can search for sites and have them translated
  + You can enter the URL of a specific site you want translated
  + You can translate from Spanish to English or English to Spanish

Date

* You can specify only sites in the last year or last six months
* Useful if you go back to update a previous search

Domain Type

* You can specify ONLY .edu or .gov
* You can specify NOT .com or .net

Find Similar Sites

* Finds sites similar to a URL you specify
* Can be good for hard-to-find topics

Find Sites That Link to This One

* Finds sites that link to a URL of a site you specify
* Is a good way to find more recent information similar to a site you like.